Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 TOKYO 00561 130912Z ACTION EA-09

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EB-07 FEA-01 ERDA-05 AID-05 CEA-01 CIAE-00 CIEP-01 COME-00 DODE-00 FPC-01 H-01 INR-07 INT-05 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 OMB-01 PM-04 USIA-06 OES-06 SP-02 SS-15 STR-04 TRSE-00 ACDA-07 /097 W

R 120848Z JAN 77 FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4729

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE TOKYO 0561

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, PARM, JA, XT

SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF TRILATERAL COMMISSION MEETING-NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION

REF: TOKYO 473

1. IN ADDITION TO TROLATERAL COMMISSION PRESS COVERAGE ON ECONOMIC MATTERS REPORTED REFTEL, MOST JAPANESE NEWSPAPERS HAVE CHOSEN TO EMPHASIZE AS NEWS OR TO EDITORIALIZE ON A SEGMENT OF A REPORT TO THE TRILATERAL COMMISSION CONCERNED WITH ENERGY POLICY. IN PARTICULAR, PAPERS HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT COMMISSION HAS AGREED WITH PROPOSAL CONTAINED IN REPORT THAT CONSTRAINTS BE PLACED ON EXPORT OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL REPROCESSING TECHNOLOGY TO LDC'S, AND THAT VIEWS OF COMMISSION WILL STRONGLY INFLUENCE NEW CARTER ADMINISTRATION. IMPLICATION FOR JAPANESE, AS REFLECTED IN EDITORIALS, IS THAT NON-PROLIFERATION POLICY OF ADVANCED WESTERN NATIONS, DEVELOPED IN CONCERT WITH USSR THROUGH NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS GROUP, WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT JAPAN'S PLANS FOR ESTABLISHING REPROCESSING CAPABILITY AND USE OF PLUTONIUM AS POWER REACTOR FUEL.

2. POL COUNSELOR INFORMED BY COMMISSION OFFICIAL THAT REPORT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 TOKYO 00561 130912Z

IN QUESTION, "CONSTRUCTIVE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TRILATERAL AND COMMITTEE COUNTRIES BUT MEETING GLOBAL PROBLEMS", HAD BEEN DISCUSSED BY COMMISSION, BUT WOULD BE REVISED BY ITS AUTHORS. WHILE SECTION ON NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION HAD NOT GIVEN RISE TO ANY CONTROVERSY, IT COULD NOT IN ANY EVENT BE REPRESENTED AS DECISION OF MEMBERS, INASMUCH AS THERE HAD BEEN NO DECISION MADE. ACCORDINGLY, FOR NEWSPAPERS TO HOLD THAT AGREEMENT WAS REACHED BY

COMMISSION ON NON-PROLIFERATION MEASURES TO BE RECOMMENDED TO CONSTITUENT NATIONS APPEARS TO BE STRETCHING THE FACTS CONSIDERABLY. NONETHELESS, IT IS INTERESTING THAT PAPERS HAVE CHOSEN TO DWELL AT LENGTH ON ONE ISSUE OUT OF MANY PRESENTED TO TRILATERAL COMMISSION, LEADING US TO BELIEVE THAT THE PAPERS ARE REFLECTING GOJ CONCERNS AND UNCERTAINTIES ABOUT NUCLEAR POLICY TO BE ADOPTED BY CARTER ADMINISTRATION AND ITS RELATION TO PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED POLICY OF PRESENT ADMINISTRATION, AND THAT IN FACT SOMEONE HAS LEAKED TO THE PRESS THE OSTENSIBLY PRIVATE BACKGROUND REPORTS OR PARTS THEREOF TO SUIT A SPECIFIC POLITICAL OBJECTIVE.

3. TEXTS OF ARTICLES APPEARING IN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE PAPERS AND TRANSLATIONS OF ARTICLES IN JAPANESE WHEN AVAILABLE ARE BEING POUCHED TO OES/NET. HODGSON

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X

Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am Channel Indicators: n/a **Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED**

Concepts: PRESS COMMENTS, NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION, LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, MEETINGS, FOREIGN POLICY POSITION

Control Number: n/a

Copy: SINGLE Sent Date: 12-Jan-1977 12:00:00 am Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am Decaption Note:

Disposition Action: RELEASED Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW

Disposition Date: 22 May 2009 Disposition Event:

Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977TOKYO00561
Document Source: CORE

Document Unique ID: 00 Drafter: n/a

Enclosure: n/a Executive Order: N/A Errors: N/A

Expiration: Film Number: D770013-0046 Format: TEL

From: TOKYO

Handling Restrictions: n/a

Image Path:

ISecure: 1 Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770157/aaaabxwh.tel

Line Count: 77 Litigation Code IDs: Litigation Codes:

Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 1a4670da-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc

Office: ACTION EA

Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE Original Handling Restrictions: n/a Original Previous Classification: n/a Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a

Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a

Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a Reference: 77 TOKYO 473

Retention: 0

Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED Review Content Flags: Review Date: 14-Feb-2005 12:00:00 am

Review Event:

Review Exemptions: n/a **Review Media Identifier:** Review Release Date: n/a Review Release Event: n/a **Review Transfer Date:** Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a

SAS ID: 3610944 Secure: OPEN Status: NATIVE

Subject: PRESS COVERAGE OF TRILATERAL COMMISSION MEETING-- NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION

TAGS: ENRG, PARM, JA, XT

To: STATE Type: TE

vdkvgwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/1a4670da-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc

Review Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009